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OREGON MISSIONARY TIDINGS

Mrs. E. F. Leake, Secretary
MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS

"Help Build a Church Glorious in Character—A Blest Family of Faith Touching All Nations."

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP MEETS

With the opening of the Fall work the first thing on the calendar, and first in interest among the Youth groups of our churches, will be the three great Youth Meets to be held in October.

GLADSTONE—October 3, 4, 5. Officers: Mary Margaret Martin, Gladstone, and Dallas Meserve, Portland.

WALLOWA—October 10, 11, 12. Officers: Margery Fleshman, La Grande, and Beth Johnson, Wallowa.

GRANTS PASS—October 17, 18, 19. Officers: Eleanor Reynolds, Klamath Falls, and Dorothy Hansen, Medford.

A splendid program is assured for each Meet. These programs will be based on the general theme, "We Must Be Christian." Each Meet will open with a banquet on Friday evening. The banquet theme will be, "We are Climbing." The Meets will close Sunday noon with a Fellowship Circle. An outstanding feature of the Meet will be the presence of Mrs. Edna Whipple Gish as missionary speaker. Other adult leaders in the Meet will be Mrs. Frances Hyland, Young People's Superintendent and Song Leader, "Pop" Swander, State Director of Christian Education, and Mrs. Leake. Detailed information concerning these Fellowship Meets may be secured from Mrs. Ansel Hyland, Bartle Court, Eugene; Mrs. E. F. Leake, Hood River; and C. F. Swander, 307 Panama Building, Portland, Oregon.

OUTSTANDING WORK

The Cecile Harding Missionary Circle, of Eugene First Church, was outstanding in the state for the year 1940-41, and we print here their yearly report of accomplishments as an answer to that question, "What can our young people do?" Mrs. Ella A. Day is the Adviser, and Wyma Williams is the President.

1. The Circle held 12 regular, and 12 executive, meetings during the year.

2. At the July meeting Mrs. James McCallum dressed in Chinese ceremonial costume, told of the need in China, and showed curios.

3. Sent two boxes of supplies to the McCallums in China.

4. A White Gift offering in December (Page 4 Col. 2)

RALLY DAY

Rally Day in the Bible School is in the calendar for October 5. Some schools prefer the last Sunday in September, and a few find the second Sunday in October more convenient. Its purpose is to start out the fall program with zeal and enthusiasm. Every person who has had previous connection with the school should be brought back. As many new pupils as possible should be enlisted. This cannot be accomplished simply by announcement. It must be planned for, worked for. Early in September the workers should begin planning for Rally Day.

Whatever day you may choose, do a good job of it. And do not forget that the State Work bids for a Rally Day offering. For thirty years this has been an institution among Oregon schools. It is used to assist the educational program in Oregon by releasing the State Director for service in that field. Make it a generous offering. Exceed your quota of last year. The schools of Oregon last year gave \$1,060.01 in this offering. We are depending on you to keep up the record. Send to C. F. Swander, 307 Panama Building, Portland, Oregon.

DOWNTOWN MISSION IN EUGENE

Medford Jones is superintending a downtown mission in Eugene in addition to pastoring the church at Molalla. He reports for the month of June 600 attendants, 4 baptisms, 3 reconsecrations, 15 New Testaments given, 65 articles of clothing given, jobs for 5. The expense of the Mission for the month was \$133.54. Contributions will be appreciated. Send to Medford Jones, N. C. C., Eugene, Oregon.

YOUTH MEETS

The summer of 1941 will go down in history bearing marked increases in attendance at all youth camps. The Conference at Turner had 110, and at Cove 65. The Service Camp at Fir Point had 90 attendants, and at Bear Springs 150. Youth presents a challenge to the church. These opportunities for youth are the church's acceptance of the challenge.

ODELL—B. Ross Evans held a short meeting in August with 6 added. Gilbert Carey is preaching for them.

ENGLEWOOD—Gave their new pastor, Alton Brostrom and his wife, a reception on August 28. A large crowd was present. There were 7 additions during August.



NINETY AND NINE NEWS

Ray C. Smith, President

STATE CONVENTION Central Christian Church

Portland, Oregon

Monday, October 13th, 2:30 to 8:30

Goal, 633 Men

Text: Matthew 6:33

Theme: "Seek Ye First the Kingdom."

SPEAKERS

Arthur C. Bates, Klamath Falls
B. Ross Evans, State Evangelist

MUSIC

Claude Neely, Portland
D. L. Penhollow, Sisters
N. C. C. Quartet, Eugene
The Tan-Ditters, Portland
Portland Air Base Soldiers' Chorus

FEATURES

Fellowship Dinner, 5:30 to 7:00, 50c
Lodging and Breakfast for Delegates from up-state.
Election of Officers
Reports on Year's Activities
New Plans and Projects
Next Year's Budget
Tract and Literature Table

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Program, Arthur Parrish, Newberg
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Nominations, Earl Soward, Corbett
Planning and Budget, Dr. C. R. Beatty
4938 S. E. Foster Road, Portland
Registrations, Clair Martin
7701 S. E. Harold St., Portland
Bed and Breakfast, Jess Canright
3519 S. E. Morrison St., Portland

This will undoubtedly be our largest and best convention. Plan NOW to be one of the 633. Watch for further announcements.

HERE AND THERE

Willamette District rally was held in Tillamook on August 24, and at that time Charles Davis, of Salem First Church, was elected district president to succeed Martin Kullowatz who moved to Portland. Brother Davis has been teacher of the large Ninety and Nine class in Salem for some time and we anticipate a fruitful year's work under his leadership. Delbert Daniels, pastor at Tillamook, brought the message which will be his (Page 2 Col. 2)

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IMPROVEMENTS AT TURNER

Improvements at Turner are constantly necessary. If the grounds continue to be used as at present they are imperative. This year they were used by a group of girls in May; our state convention in June; our young people's conference and the American Sunday School Union in July; the boys' camp, the Christian Endeavor, and the Lutheran young people in August. There is talk about a second boys' camp. Someone has suggested a girls' camp for intermediate girls. Other groups have inquired about the grounds.

The expense of the grounds is heavy. This summer we had to repair the septic tank; the motor in the pump house burned out; we had to construct a garbage incinerator and build a woodhouse; the range in the restaurant had to be repaired. But listen! That is nothing to what is in the immediate future. We must get a new range entirely for the restaurant before use next year. Why not get an electric range and settle those problems for some time to come? The tabernacle must be painted and the roof repaired. The weather is damaging it, and the dripping water keeps the inside wet. Another lodge is badly needed. It is a shame to crowd people as they did in the boys' camp. It was difficult to house the young people properly but they were far less than the boys.

We are hoping the Ninety and Nine may see their way clear to paint the tabernacle. Are there not generous souls in the state who would supply the electric range and the Lodge? Where is the devoted Christian who will build a lodge in memory of a departed loved one. If there is someone we can name if after that one.

ONTARIO—Has called Earl L. Soward from Corbett. He plans to take up this new work October 1.

OREGON CITY—Called Claude Sabin from Forest Grove. At last report the church at Forest Grove was making resistance to his leaving them.

DR. T. M. WHITE—Has resigned the pulpit at Myrtle Point and has located in a doctor's office in Albany.

Ninety and Nine

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last meeting with Oregon men for some time as he expects to enter Butler University for graduate work this Fall. The meeting was also attended by state officers Hudson, Dixon and Dewees.

Phil Hitchcock, of Sisters, Merle Ross, of Bend, and Hamp Jordon, of Redmond, are the committee to arrange for a Central Oregon men's rally in October.

Evangelist B. Ross Evans has been engaged to hold a series of conferences and men's meetings over the state following his meeting at Marshfield in September, but at this date, September 1, a definite schedule cannot be announced. Churches or men's groups desiring this service will be contacted as soon as word is received from him.

Northwest District Gospel teams have been busy the past month at St. Johns, Mallory Avenue, Sellwood, Corbett, Rockaway, Astoria, Warrenton, and at Milwaukie where Mary Harding is conducting a Bible School in her home. John Marsh, of Kern Park Church, has made an attractive sign for this new school and it was recently placed by the team that visited them.

Northwest District rally will be held in Kern Park Church, Portland, Monday, September 22. Supper will be served on the usual free-will offering plan, starting at 5:30 and continuing until everyone has eaten. A speaker has not yet been chosen, but needless to say a good program will be provided.

JEWISH MISSIONS

Brother and Sister Meyer Tan-Ditter, our own missionaries to the Jews, have just returned from a two weeks meeting with the church at North Bend, and while there they spoke before the Coos Bay District rally. These two good folks desire our prayers and their work will advance in proportion to the support we give them.

BOYS CAMP REPORT

The 1941 Boys Camps have set up new records for both attendance and visible results. The Southern Oregon Camp at Fir Point, July 27 to August 3, had 62 boys in attendance, and there were 10 confessions. This was the first year for this camp and early in the season a goal of 25 had been set up. Coos Bay District became very active, however, and sent 44 boys which more than doubled the expected number.

Gene Robinson was dean and director, and H. B. Church, of Roseburg, handled the business. Members of the faculty were Vern Kullowatz, Alger Fitch, Cecil Warner, Harry Baird, and John Barney, all of whom deserve credit for a job well done. Cooks and helpers were Mrs. Lorraine Dossett, Enid Linn, Eileen Rahn, Ethel Perkins, Mrs. Peterson of North Bend, and Mrs. Ida Knowlton, also from

Coos Bay District.

At the Turner Camp the goal had been set at 100, but 125 were expected and when the thundering herd all arrived there were 185 boys on the grounds. This created a real problem for Lloyd Arnett, State Boys Work chairman and business manager of the camp. But sleeping facilities were arranged and a good time was had by all. During the week 28 boys made the good confession and most of them were baptized in the river. Some 39 churches were represented in the enrollment.

Guest speakers during the week included Governor Sprague, K. E. Burke, Guy L. Drill, Meyer Tan-Ditter, Walter Fiscus, Cleve Hudson, Orville Mick, and C. F. Swander. The faculty members were Howard Cole, Dean; Gene Robinson, Director; Vern Kullowatz, Wm. Koenig, Bill Thompson, Alger Fitch, and Art Edwards, instructors. Section leaders were John Plymale, Jack Smith, Bill Llewellyn, Loren Arnett, David Kullowatz, Don Perkins, Louis Digby, Bill Austin, and Harold Loron. The kitchen crew which helped to keep the boys filled up and happy were Mrs. Lloyd Arnett, Mrs. Helen Smith, Mrs. Dulah Lambert, Mrs. F. Dossett, Mrs. Ruby Koenig, Mrs. Edith Thompson, Ethel Perkins, Enid Linn, Eileen Rahn, Emogene Farrel, and Bevely Arnett.

It has been noticed by several that one of our ripest fields for evangelistic endeavor is among our younger boys. This is proven by our experience in the Ninety and Nine boys camps. But what about the local church after the boys come home? Is there a program for the boys that will hold them in the church, or are we going to let them drift and lose them?

PASTOR'S DAY

The third Sunday in October is set as the time for the observance of Pastor's Day. This is an interdenominational observance. It should be observed by suitably recognizing the work of the ministry, expressing appreciation of the pastor and letting that expression deepen the appreciation. Most men are worthy of the love and esteem of their people. If this is suitably expressed pastorates will be longer and the work more effective.

D. E. FERGUSON STRICKEN

D. E. Ferguson, of Springfield, suffered a paralytic stroke about the middle of August, while working in his garden. At last report he was much improved. His wife, Goldia, had engaged to make a tour of eastern Oregon in September for our State Educational work. This trip will have to be cancelled for the present. The sympathy of all will go out to both Brother and Sister Ferguson in their difficult time.

NORTHWEST CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

K. E. Burke, President

COLLEGE OPENS

Monday, September 22, will be the opening day at Northwest Christian College. Monday will be taken up with registration, Tuesday and Wednesday will have worship services with messages by the college trustees, faculty, and student body officers. On Wednesday evening the students and faculty will gather in Rehm Hall parlors for the informal "get acquainted time." Classes will begin on Thursday, September 25. College officers expect a large enrollment this year. Last year N. C. C. had the third largest Bible College enrollment in our brotherhood. This speaks well for the evangelistic and missionary interest of our churches in the Northwest.

COLLEGE QUARTET

The college male quartet and president K. E. Burke visited over forty churches and the four state conventions in the Northwest during the summer. Some interesting figures were compiled by this group. Miles travelled, 6,262; quartet numbers sung, 655; readings, 47; solos, 25; talks, 75; appearances before conventions, churches, service clubs, social gatherings, and on the radio, 125; slept in 40 different beds in 50 days.

NEW FACULTY MEMBERS

William T. Seifke, A.B., M.A., B.D., pastor at Caldwell, Idaho, for six years, has been called to the college to teach the Bible book by book, Biblical Introduction, a course in New Testament Exegesis, and Practical Theology. Mr. Seifke received his public school education in the Milton, Oregon, schools. He received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Eugene Bible University, the Master of Arts and Bachelor of Divinity degrees from Phillips University. He also took work in the University of Oregon. Before his Caldwell pastorate he served the Wetumka, Oklahoma, church for three years. In Idaho Mr. Seifke served five years as state secretary of the South Idaho Christian Churches; six years on the faculty of the South Idaho Young Peoples Conference; director of the first Adult Conference in Idaho; originator and Counsellor of the Laymen's League of South Idaho. His church work in Caldwell has been marked with unusual success. The Bible School has grown to be one of the largest schools of South Idaho. In evangelism Mr. Seifke is recognized as a leader. He led in establishing a mission church in a needy district of Caldwell.

Mrs. Harold Knott has been called to teach pantomime and serve as house mother in Rehm Hall. Mrs. Knott is

well known in Oregon church circles, serving with her husband churches and the college. Her work in dramatics is recognized as first class. Her course will be a valuable aid to the drama courses offered.

Maude Skaggs Woodyard, B.M., has been called to handle courses in voice, evangelistic singing and choir leading. Mrs. Woodyard comes from a pioneer preacher's home as she is the daughter of Brother Skaggs who served the northwest churches years ago. She has studied under many of the outstanding voice, piano, and organ teachers of America. She holds the Bachelor of Music degree from the Chicago Conservatory of Music. She also studied under Homer Rodeheaver. She has few superiors as an interpreter of gospel songs.

HOUSE MOTHER INJURED

Mrs. Fannie Fairbanks, house mother for Chapman Hall fell a few days ago and broke her hip. She is confined to her bed at Naches, Washington.

OBITUARY

MARY ALICE WILSON, wife of J. H. Wilson, Kent, died suddenly on July 28 at her home in Kent. She leaves her husband; a son, Dr. Joseph Wilson, of Moscow, Idaho; a son, John Wilson, of Kent; and a daughter, Martha Rambo, of Davenport, Washington. She was a member of the church at Kent. C. F. Swander conducted the last service in the church at Kent on July 31.

MARTHA FRANCES McKERN, of Yamhill, passed away on August 5, at her home in Yamhill. Her husband, Jasper McKern, died in 1937. She had been superintendent of the Sunday School in Yamhill for more than 30 years. Familiarly known as "Aunt Fannie" she was beloved by the community. The memorial service was conducted by C. F. Swander in the church at Yamhill.

POLLY MAE RECKMAN, wife of Richard Reckman, Grass Valley, Oregon, died in the hospital at The Dalles, August 22. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson, of Kent. Beside her husband she leaves two little girls, Margaret and Peggy Marie. She was buried in the family lot at Kent on August 25, C. F. Swander conducting the service.

MRS. DUNWOODIE—Died at her home in Seaside on August 5. She was a member of the St. Helens church, and the last service was conducted by Walter A. Barnes, pastor at St. Helens. Mrs. Dunwoodie was the key person that saved the St. Helens building from mortgage foreclosure.

NORTH BEND—Recently had a meeting with the Tan-Ditters in the lead. There were six additions. J. R. Adams, pastor.

NORTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN HOME



Mrs. Laura K. Hill, Supt.

Planting for fall garden at Northwestern Christian Home affords interesting activity and prospects of late vegetables to help a little at the table. A fall potato patch occupies an area which we hope lawn and trees will some day beautify.

New grading and gravelling of the road make it look better and travel easier. That is one more improvement squeezed out of the donation for landscaping a few months ago.

Among high lights of the summer was a visit and concert by the Northwest Christian College quartet brought by President Burke.

Most of the family has enjoyed good health during the summer and all but one have been able to get around at meal time.

Final figures on the contributions to the maintenance fund of benevolence record \$2,757.13 from Oregon, and \$6,605.90 from the area. The \$900.00 increase is partly offset by a cost increase of more than \$500.00. First Church in Portland made the largest contribution of any church in the area.

Our balance from Christmas and other contributions as of June 30 was about two-thirds enough to last until next Christmas. That emphasizes the importance and urgent need of those regular remittances from the church and groups that make benevolence an item in the budget and send money monthly or quarterly.

Many budgets are being made up for the next year and with budget committees we make a plea for benevolence. The Northwestern area is making a steady gain in its support for benevolence and Oregon shares in that gain. However, we are still below the average of our brotherhood in the support of benevolence as compared with our support of other causes outside of local expenses.

The five leading churches in total contributions to benevolence in this area for the past year were, in order: Portland First, Yakima, Seattle University, Eugene, and Walla Walla. All but one of these have benevolence in the budget. The other has the largest Christmas offering in the Northwest.

Missionary Organizations

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helped needy families in Eugene.

5. Gave a play in the Woman's Day program in December.

6. Served a banquet for Northwest Christian College.

7. Sponsored a New Year's party for all young people of the church.

8. Read over 1,170 accredited missionary books.

9. February meeting heard reports of delegates from N. C. C. to the Convocation.

10. Sent \$14.05 special offering to the McCallum travel fund.

11. Entertained mothers at a dessert party and program. Gave a box of cards and wrappings to missionary.

12. Sent two packages of supplies to Lois Ely at Shanghai, China, and a packet of Sunday School papers to Pastor Chow-yu-wen, at Chuchow, Anhwei, China.

13. Sent patterns and books to J. H. McCallum for Mrs. Gee. Sent clothes to Southern Christian Institute at Edwards, Mississippi; clothing to Jarvis College, Hawkins, Texas, also pictures and books; sent pictures and books to Mexican Christian Institute at San Antonio, Texas.

14. Sent to U. C. M. S., \$120.40; \$14.05 to McCallum Fund; \$10.00 for one day's salary.

15. A box of clothing and thread, and silk pieces, to O. J. Goulter, Shanghai, China, for refugees.

DISTRICT SCHOOLS

School days are here for the children in the public schools, and school days are here too for the women of Oregon. "District Schools" will be the plan for the presentation of the work of Missionary Organizations this fall with the District Secretary as teacher in each of the seven districts. The women will be asked to pack their lunch in a paper sack or a dinner pail (an apple for teacher would be a good idea), study their lessons which will be mailed to each society, and attend the district school. The schedule of classes will be as follows:

- 10:00 Worship.
- 10:20 Introduction of personnel.
- 10:25 History class.
- 10:55 Geography class.
- 11:25 Recess.
- 11:30 Adult work, presented by Mrs. Howard, or Mrs. Leake.
- Noon lunch.
- 1:00 Arithmetic class.
- 1:50 Children's work, Laura Torgerson. Youth work, Frances Hyland.
- 2:30 Recess.

2:40 Missionary address.

3:15 Dedication service.

3:30 Dismissal.

It is hoped that these schools may meet the test of every good program as set forth in our new President's packets—information, interest, responsibility, and consecration. Watch for the dates.

AN ENLARGED FELLOWSHIP

There is within the state an ever enlarging group of women who have served on the Board and who are being called into a Woman's Board Fellowship this year so that, if they desire, these trained workers may continue to serve the cause of missions in numerous ways, and at the same time be conscious of their part in this large fellowship of women. If you have ever served on the Oregon State Board see that your District Secretary has your correct address.

KEY WOMEN

A list of key women over the state will soon be available to our groups as speakers and resource leaders for programs. Each of these women have been asked to take a special mission station and to be fully informed concerning its work. We hope by this plan to be able to more perfectly visualize the great world field of our brotherhood.

WALTER G. MENZIES

Oregon disciples will feel a genuine sorrow in the tragic passing of Brother Menzies. This will be especially true of those churches which recently enjoyed his presence and addresses. Like Barnabas, "he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith." He made a splendid contribution to the cause of world missions and the influence of his life will long remain to enrich our brotherhood life. Pendra Road will forever stand as a living monument to him.

STATE BOOK CLUB

We call your attention to the requirements for the State Book Club. They are as follows: Read four books (from the reading list); 11 World Calls; and the Gospels and the Book of Acts. The reading should be completed not later than June 1, 1942; and your name, and the names of your books sent to Mrs. Gertrude Mossberger, 1814 S. E. Madison, Portland, Oregon. Those who met the requirements last year, and who would prefer to read 4 other books of the Bible in place of the Gospels may do so. A few fine missionary books are available from our State Library and may be secured by your group for one month by writing to Mrs. Mossberger.

DELBERT DANIELS—Has gone to Butler University for educational work. He has done a splendid work at Tillamook.

STATE OFFERINGS

July-August, 1941

CHURCHES: Astoria, \$3.50; Falls City, \$5.00; Forest Grove, \$1.50; Gladstone, \$5.20; Glide, \$15.00; Kern Park, \$12.73; Newberg, \$7.10; Nyssa, \$4.00; Ontario, \$5.00; Portland I, \$100.00; Roseburg, \$3.68; Salem I, \$41.30; Vernonia, \$25.00.

SCHOOLS: Carlton, \$5.28; Hood River, \$5.00; Ontario, \$2.00.

INDIVIDUALS: Mrs. Peterson, No. Bend, \$10.00; D. E. Reed, Portland, \$27.00; Alice Mahn, Roseburg, \$2.32; R. L. Dunn, Roseburg, \$5.00; J. H. Wilson, Kent, \$25.00.

YOUNG PEOPLES: Kern Park, \$1.25.

PERMANENT FUND: Interest earnings, \$84.94; Notes repaid, \$1,071.28; Gifts, From Klamath Falls, \$10.00; Courtney Swander, \$1.00; Sale of Independence Church Building, \$350.00 (to be held in trust).

IMPROVEMENTS: Mrs. Peterson, No. Bend, \$5.00.

DEBTS PAID

A church cannot do a more Christian thing than to pay its debts. An epidemic of debt cancellations has taken place recently. Mallory Avenue has thrown off a twenty year old nightmare. Newberg has satisfied the creditor in full. Newport has paid the last dollar and will burn the note with much gladness on September 14. Others may have done the same which we have not heard of.

OREGON NEWS

TURNER—O. W. Jones has resigned the pastorate at Turner and will move to Sisters to be with his daughter Beryl.

MILL CITY—Held a two weeks meeting with Earle Miller, evangelist. 4 baptisms.

ADRIAN SIAS—Has closed his work as chaplain in the C. C. C. and is confidently expecting an appointment in the army. In the meantime he will hold meetings. Address him at 137 Almond St., Ashland, Oregon.

DALLAS—Has called W. C. Rhea from Othello, Washington.

BEND—Has called W. I. Palmer, from Grants Pass.

ASHLAND—Has called Earl F. Downing, from Dufur.

PENDLETON—Has called O. D. Harris, from Dallas.

SISTERS—The churches of Central Oregon met in all day session at Sisters July 29 and perfected an organization for fellowship. They will meet every fifth Sunday. The next meeting will be at Redmond.

B. L. HICKS—Has resigned the work at Riddle and will retire from the active ministry. He will continue to live at Riddle.